

Home Sweet Dome

Fifth-ranked Hawks shut out No. 4 AHSTW to secure spot in state semifinals

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SULLY — Lynnville-Sully head football coach Mike Parkinson had a feeling special teams would be a big factor in the Hawks' quarterfinal matchup with AHSTW.

That feeling turned into a reality and Corder Noun Harder's 59-yard punt return late in the first quarter gave the fifth-ranked Hawks a lead they wouldn't relinquish and Lynnville-Sully went on to defeat the fourth-ranked Vikings 20-0 on a wet and rainy Friday night.

"That's how you want to start a game," Noun Harder said. "That really rallied our team. Everyone executed that play and it sent us in the right direction."

"It's unbelievable. There are no words to describe this. The entire team's goal was to make it to the Dome, and it feels so good to accomplish it."

The win sends Lynnville-Sully to the UNI-Dome and the Class A semifinals for the first time since 1986. The Hawks won the championship that season.

They will next face defending Class A champions West Hancock at 10 a.m. on Thursday at the UNI-Dome in Cedar Falls.

The four remaining teams in Class A — No. 5 Lynnville-Sully, No. 1 West Hancock, No. 2 Grundy Center and No. 3 Woodbury Central — all are 11-0. It's the only class in the state that features four undefeated teams in the semifinals.

Grundy Center, which lost 19-14 to West Hancock in last year's state title game, faces Woodbury Central at 1 p.m. on Thursday in Cedar Falls.

"It's anybody's game when you get to the Dome. Throw all the records out because you never know how teams respond there," Parkinson said. "No matter what, it will be a lot of fun. I'm so proud of this team."

There was non-stop rain throughout the contest, and it led to a combined zero passing yards.

The Hawks out-gained AHSTW 130-103 on the ground, but Noun Harder's punt return touchdown and the Vikings' three turnovers were the difference.

Lynnville-Sully (11-0) led 8-0 after the first quarter. Noun Harder's 59-yard punt return TD came with 2:48 to play in the period. Kyle Squires added a two-point conversion run to give the Hawks a lead it wouldn't surrender.



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From left: Lane Fisk (57), Jager Huyser (51), Dawson James (56), Conner Maston (7) and Corder Noun Harder celebrate Class A No. 5 Lynnville-Sully's 20-0 win over fourth-ranked AHSTW in the quarterfinals on Friday in Sully. The Hawks advanced to the UNI-Dome and will play in the state semifinals for the first time since 1986.

The ball was on the ground a lot in the game. But the Vikings (10-1) were the only team to turn the ball over.

Squires' 2-yard touchdown run with 1:47 left in the half put the Hawks up 14-0 at the break. Squires finished with 43 yards and the score on nine carries.

Noun Harder's night included 92 rushing yards on 22 carries. His second TD of the night came on a 1-yard run with 7:20 to go in the fourth.

Parkinson set up the touchdown with a bit of misdirection. Squires, Lane Fisk and Bryce Richards set up "lead" blocks on the right side of the field, but Noun Harder

reached paydirt with a sprint to the left.

"The line play was very big. Without the line we have, I don't think we make it this far," Fisk said. "They have a good line, too, but we were just gritty all night."

"We live for the rain at Lynnville-Sully. This feels amazing. The school hasn't been to the Dome since 1986. I love that we came out with the win in our last game on this field."

The Hawks weren't perfect against the Vikings. They went three and out on their first possession.

AHSTW got a big gain on third and 16 but Luke Sterenberg fumbled the ball. The

Hawks couldn't take advantage of the short field though and turned the ball over on downs.

The Vikings' next possession ended on a sack by C.J. Nikkel. The punt to L-S was returned to the end zone by Noun Harder.

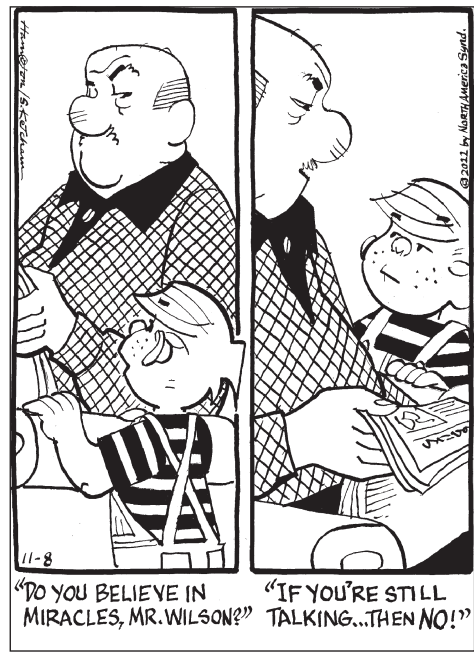
"Field position was huge and we had it all night," Parkinson said. "Coming into the game, we wanted to win three things — field position, time of possession and turnovers. And we did all three things."

The Vikings lost a fumble on their first possession of the second half.

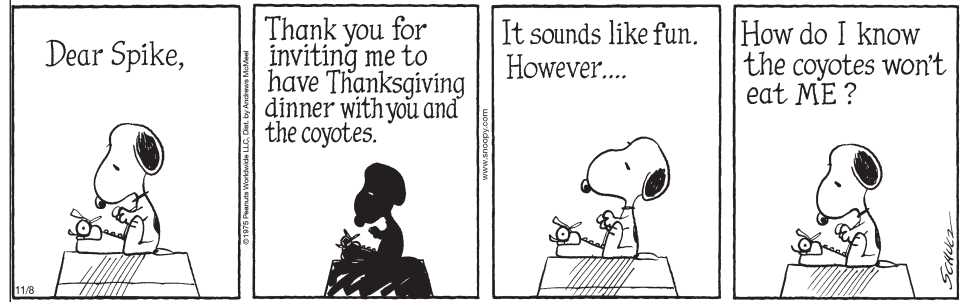
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Diversions

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BABY BLUES



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Answer to previous puzzle

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"Even if we add all our ages together we're still not old enough to vote."

Newsday Crossword

FINISHING WITH EASE by Billie Truitt
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- ACROSS**
- 1 "Shoo!"
 - 5 Complained, as a cow
 - 10 Enjoy some gum
 - 14 Curved part of a foot
 - 15 Take the bolt off
 - 16 Curved roof
 - 17 "It was someone else!"
 - 18 Countertop heater
 - 19 Dressed (in)
 - 20 Sandwich's ham partner with holes
 - 23 Use a shovel
 - 24 Story that might be "tall"
 - 25 Try a taste of
 - 27 By mouth
 - 30 Corkscrew shape
 - 32 Actress Zellweger
 - 33 Similar (to)
 - 34 Have to have
 - 37 Have a meal
 - 38 Funds in a nest egg
 - 41 Sch. in Tempe
 - 42 Narrow opening
 - 44 Insignificant
 - 45 Macaroni or manicotti
 - 47 Region with many trees
 - 49 French cosmetics giant
 - 50 Meshy window insert
 - 52 Of inferior quality
 - 53 "___ you listening?"
 - 54 Nap briefly
 - 60 Bar drink in a mug
 - 62 Italian fashion city
 - 63 Sneaker or sandal
 - 64 Loaf around
 - 65 Wipe a blackboard clean
- DOWN**
- 1 ___-serif typeface
 - 2 Cornfield bird
 - 3 First part of a play
 - 4 Prickly plant that's a symbol of Scotland
 - 5 Built like a weightlifter
 - 6 ___ house (for no charge)
 - 7 Woodwind instrument
 - 8 Roof overhang
 - 9 Liquid topping for a salad
 - 10 Public health agcy.
 - 11 "Kindly stay on the phone"
 - 12 Letter sent online
 - 13 Shape of a pie slice
 - 21 Reduced-price events
 - 22 Something to whisper into
 - 26 Guy
 - 27 Mined rocks
 - 28 Authentic
 - 29 Liquid in auto radiators
 - 30 Hula dancer's "grass" garment
 - 31 Tree with cones
 - 33 City rds.
 - 35 "¿Cómo ___ usted?"
 - 36 Two-part
 - 39 Congregation's repetitive agreement
 - 40 Light-hearted satire
 - 43 Follower of tic and tac
 - 46 Takes into custody
 - 48 ___ room (play area)
 - 49 Car provided by a repair shop
 - 50 Weasel-like mammal
 - 51 Sound from an old wood floor
 - 52 Developmental stage
 - 55 Grow weary
 - 56 Cat's scratcher
 - 57 "This is fun!"
 - 58 Urban district
 - 59 Prepares, as an alarm clock
 - 61 Stop sign's shade

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Level: Beginner

Solution to 11/4/22

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